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**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON**

STATE OF WASHINGTON, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

UNITED STATES FOOD AND
DRUG ADMINISTRATION, et al.,

Defendants.

NO. 1:23-cv-03026-TOR

**NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF
COUNSEL**

CLERK'S ACTION REQUIRED

TO: CLERK OF THE ABOVE-ENTITLED COURT

AND TO: ALL COUNSEL OF RECORD

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that KRISTIN BENESKI, First Assistant Attorney General, hereby withdraws as counsel for Plaintiff State of Washington in the above-entitled action, effective immediately. Solicitor General Noah Guzzo Purcell, Civil Rights Division Chief Colleen M. Melody, Assistant Attorneys

1 General Lauryn K. Fraas and Andrew R.W. Hughes, and Deputy Solicitor General
2 Tera M. Heintz remain counsel of record for Plaintiff State of Washington.

3 DATED this 13th day of January 2025.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on January 13, 2025, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court using the CM/ECF System, which in turn automatically generated a Notice of Electronic Filing (NEF) to all parties in the case who are registered users of the CM/ECF system. The NEF for the foregoing specifically identifies recipients of electronic notice. I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington and the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

DATED this 13th day of January 2025, at Seattle, Washington.

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